(b) if so, what axe the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETROCHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R. K. JAI-CHANDRA SINGH): (a) and (b) The measures for rationalisation, quality control and growth of drugs and pharmaceutical industry announced recently by the Government are aimed at increasing irM-igenous production of bulk drugs. Copies of the document detailing these measures are available in the Parliament Library.

653. *[Transferred to the 5th March,* 1987].

Survey relating to natural gas fields

654. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased *t^* state:

(a) whether ONGC has conducted any survey relating to the areas of"natural gas fields in the country;

(b) if so, what are the areas surveyed by them with the estimated quantity of natural gas likely to be available; and

(c) whether there is any proposal un-'der Government's consideration to use gas in the Power generating stations and if so, by when it is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) and | (b) Surveys are not conducted exclusively for exploration of natural gas. ONGC Smve conducted surveys fo_r hydrocarbons in the following basins: —.

1. Upper Assam
2. Cambay
3. Rajasthan
4. Cauvery
5. Krishna-Godavari
6. Trrpura
7. Bombay Offshore and
8. Andaman.

As on 1st January, 1986 ONGC had 424 billion cubic meters of balance re-coverable reserves of natural gas.

(c) Gas i_s already being supplied for power generation in Maharashtra an'd Assam. Gas is also propose^ to be supplied to 3 power stations along HBJ pipeline at Anta (Rajasthan), Auriaya (UP) and Kawas (Gujarat). These plants are expected to come up by August, 1988.

Mobile Laboratory for testing petroleum products

655. SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOWDA:
SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state;

(a) whether it is a fact that the Indian Oil Corporation has recently launched a mobile laboratory for testing petroleum products in Delhi;

(b) if *so,* the details of the petrol pumps etc., on which IOC conducted raids during the last one month;

(c) what action has been taken against the petrol pumps in Delhi which were founttselling adulterated petroleum products;

(d) whether Government propose to in troduce such mobile laboratories in other cities also; and

(°) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) to (c) A mobile laboratory for testing of petroleum products in the Northern Region has been fabricated and positioned

at Delhi by the Indian Oil Corporation but it has not y[e]t become operational, hence the question of any action based on the reports of this laboratory does not arise.

(d) arm (e) The Intlian Oil Corporation has positioned mobile laboratories for use in the Eastern and Southern Regions also where they will soon become operational. Extension of this system will depend on the operational experience.

Narsapur ...

Kaza .....

Tatipaka .....

Pasarlapudi ...

B-174 (West Coast) ...,

GS-B (East Coast).....

Karjisao .....

Rajgarh .....

Efforts to find out petrol and gas in West Rajasthan

656. SHRI BHUVNESH CHATUR-VEDr: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) what effbrts'have so far been made to find out Petrol and Gas reserves if any in Western Rajasthan and what is the latest position in respect thereof; and

(i) Geological Survey (sq. krns.)

(ii) Gravity Magnetic Stations

(iii) Seismic Surveys....

(iv) Drilling (No. of wells)...

In addition, Oil India Ltd. have acquired 8000 line kms. of seismic 'data in their area of operation.

Names of new places having natural gas

657. SHRI JERLE E. TARIANG: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased 55 state the names of new places in the country where natural gas has been found?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): Free natural gas has been struck in the follow-[1] ing places during 1985-86 and 1986-87:

—Andhra Pradesh

Offshore

. —Gujarat

—Assam

(b) how long it is likely to be taken to assess finally the potentialities for these products in Rajasthan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BRAHM DUTT); (a) Exploratory work done by ONGC in Rajasthan SQ far:

. 44691

. 34570

6770 SLK Plus 5660 LK

.These exploratory efforts have resulted in the discovery of gas at Manhera Tibba and Gbotarti.